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Applicant : William Kopaciewicz
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Examiner : Fortuna, Ana M.
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE
BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES


Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated May 13, 2003 (the period for response to which has been extended from August 13, 2003 until September 13, 2003, by virtue of the petition for extension of time filed herewith together with the applicable extension fee) wherein the Examiner finally rejected claims 1-18.

A check in the amount of \$320.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the appeal fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-0930.

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